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BULLETIN ON STATE AID

State Aid to public libraries stands at \$478,519. This amount, which is 20¢ per capita, was included in the House and Senate versions of the General Appropriations Bill. The bill is now being considered by a Free Conference Committee, which was appointed to resolve differences in the House and Senate versions.

SLB DIRECTOR PRESIDENT OF AASL

Estellene P. Walker, Director, S. C. State Library Board, will attend the pre-conference executive sessions of the Board of the American Association of State Libraries in San Francisco. Miss Walker's inauguration as incoming president will take place at the business meeting of the Association on June 29.

S. C. REPRESENTATION AT ALA

The State Library Board has awarded four travel grants for attendance at workshops preceding the ALA Conference in San Francisco.

Elizabeth Porcher, Librarian, Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library, and J. Chapman Milling, Jr., Librarian, Sumter County Library, will attend the workshop on Orientation of the Adult to the Use of the Public Library, June 23-24. This workshop, sponsored by the Adult Services Division and the Reference Services Division, will consider use of reference tools, the public catalog, and finding one's way around the library.

Emily Sanders, Librarian, Charleston County Library, will participate in the Information Science and Automation Division's and the Resources and Technical Services Division's Institute, June 22-24. The institute will include sessions devoted to library automation: circulation control, cataloging systems, information retrieval, et cetera.

Edgar W. Davis, Chairman, Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library Board, will attend the sessions of the American Library Trustee Association and the ALA.

In addition, the architectural firm of Geiger and Califf, architects for the SLB building, is sending William Geiger to the LAD's Building and Equipment Section Building Institute, June 22-24.

From Greenville Charles Stow, Librarian, and Charles Stevenson, Reference Librarian; E. A. Burch, Chairman of the Board, and board members: Willard Wade, Frank S. Leake, Jr., and Miss Jean Galloway plan to attend.

PERSONNEL UTILIZATION WORKSHOP

Twenty-eight public librarians attended a pleasant and profitable 3-day workshop on personnel utilization May 8-10 at the Russell House, University of South Carolina.

Jewel C. Hardkopf conducted the workshop which was co-sponsored by the S. C. State Library Board and the University of South Carolina's Bureau of Governmental Research.

Beginning with a "task list" the librarians proceeded to classify tasks as professional or non-professional and according to levels of difficulty. They then had practice in making work charts and planning redistribution of work. Instruction and experience in tabulation of hours of professional and non-professional work in major objectives by levels of difficulty of work, figuring percentages of professional and non-professional work done by professionals and non-professionals were also included.

An afternoon was devoted to a film showing inefficient personnel management; a skit pointing out lack of executive ability and the consequent confusion among employees; and consideration of an article describing a personnel problem in a large company.

Charles Busha, Reference Consultant, State Library Board, led the discussion of the film. Chapman J. Milling, Jr. was in charge of the skit and the other actors were: Gloria Lindler, Extension Librarian, Spartanburg County Library; Louise Marcum, Oconee County Librarian; Patricia Mercer, Lancaster County Librarian; Elizabeth Moran, Professional Assistant, Charleston County Library; and Charles Stevenson, Reference Librarian, Greenville County Library.

Mrs. Catherine Lewis, Horry County Librarian, led the discussion on the article describing the personnel problem.

Miss Hardkopf, who so ably directed the workshop, is an outstanding librarian-management consultant.

Continuing in the series "Our Library Leadership", this month's story features the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library.

Our Library Leadership...

Legally established nine years ago, the Regional Library system is made up of a main county library located in each of the county seats, thirteen branch libraries serving local communities, and two bookmobiles covering rural areas. The ABBE Regional Library has received national recognition. It effectively demonstrates how money, resources, and personnel can be combined for better and stronger library service.



Miss Josephine Crouch is librarian of the ABBE Regional Library and has held this position for eight years. An active SCLA member, Miss Crouch is currently serving as president. She has also served as chairman, Committee for Standards for S. C. Public Libraries; chairman, Planning Committee; member, Executive Committee; chairman, Public Library Section; and ALA coordinator.



Walter C. Plunkett, Jr., fuel oil distributor in Aiken, is chairman of the ABBE Regional Library Board. He is a graduate of Davidson College and received his Masters Degree in Business Administration from Harvard University. A native of Aiken, Mr. Plunkett is vestryman of St. Thaddeus Episcopal Church and has served on the Board of Directors of the Aiken County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

MISS CALLAHAM'S PAPER IN LIBRARY QUARTERLY

As one of the requirements for the Master's degree, Betty E. Callaham prepared a paper, The Carnegie Library School of Atlanta (1905-25). It has been adapted and appears in the April 1967 issue of The Library Quarterly. Miss Callaham, Director of Field Services, S. C. State Library Board, received her degree from the Division of Librarianship, Emory University, in June 1961.

SLB UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Continuing its program to provide training opportunities for in-service personnel of public libraries in South Carolina, the State Library Board will offer this summer scholarships to attend the six weeks summer session or the three weeks workshop of a select group of colleges and universities offering courses in librarianship at the undergraduate level.

Eligible for the scholarships are full-time library assistants, and in special cases library administrators, without formal library education 1) who will by July 1, 1967, have been employed at least one year in a public library which meets the requirements for state aid, 2) who in their work have shown promise of ability to profit by training, and 3) who expect to continue in their present positions for at least one year.

Staff members holding Pre-professional and Provisional Pre-professional certificates which have expired will be given priority in awarding the scholarships. Six semester hours are necessary for certification renewal.

From the ABBE Regional Library Mrs. Robbie Gross, Mrs. Mildred W. Gullion, Mrs. Maurine Lackey, Mrs. Nancy C. Mims, and Mrs. Maude Rice will attend workshops at Columbia College. Emma Fulton, Library Assistant, Florence County Library; Mrs. Lois Ann Causey and Mrs. Peggy Long, Circulation Assistants, Horry County Library; and Mrs. Boyd P. Smith, Bookmobile Librarian, Lexington County Library, have also chosen Columbia College workshops.

Attending Furman University will be: Mrs. Julia Babb and Mrs. Bertha M. Campbell, Bookmobile Librarians, Greenville County Library, and Mrs. Ella D. Adams, Bookmobile Librarian, Pickens County Library.

This is the seventh year the State Library Board has provided scholarships to library assistants on the pre-professional level.

SCHOLARSHIP DEPARTMENT

Sally Urban writes from the University of Washington that she will complete requirements for her library degree in August and plans a trip to Europe in September. Upon her return Miss Urban will join the staff of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library.

Doris Brown reports a profitable year at Rutgers. She will graduate May 31 and will report for work with the Spartanburg County Library June 15.

Libby Patton has completed her studies at the University of Michigan and became technical services librarian at the Florence County Library on May 15.

Scholarships from the State Library Board and the sponsorship of the above libraries enabled these three young ladies to obtain their library training.

REPORT FROM THE BUILDING FRONT

Abbeville

Earle Gaulden of Craig and Gaulden, Greenville, has been retained as architect for the renovation of the old Abbeville post office building for the Abbeville head-quarters of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library. Preliminary plans were discussed at a meeting attended by Mr. Gaulden; Estellene P. Walker and Betty E. Callaham of the State Library Board; Elizabeth Porcher, Librarian, Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library; Fletcher Ferguson, Chairman, Abbeville County Library Board; and Mrs. John G. Hughes, Abbeville County Librarian.

Greenville

On May 19 the Greenville Friends of the Library presented the model and plans for the new Greenville County Library building to the public. The "Friends" initiated and vigorously supported the effort to obtain an adequate building for the library. The new building will present quite a contrast to the 60-year old former school building which the library has occupied since 1939.

The four-story, 80,000 square foot building will be financed by a \$1.5 million bond issue and two construction grants from the S. C. State Library Board. One grant of \$150,000 is being allocated on the basis of the population of 209,776 and an additional \$100,000 grant to the library as a designated area resource center serving the Piedmont section. An additional \$250,000 will be requested from the Aid to Appalachia program. The new building will be erected on the College Street property donated by the Symmes Foundation.

Lexington

When Lorena Miller, Librarian, Lexington County Library, requested an appropriation of at least \$5,000 toward the cost of equipping the new Lexington County building, the delegation voted to assume responsibility for the total cost, approximately \$15,000, of equipment.

Most construction costs of the \$116,000 building were raised through public donations and fund raising activities. It will be dedicated upon delivery and installation of the equipment.

York

York County's application for an LSCA grant toward the construction of a branch in York has been approved and bids for construction are being advertised. In order to qualify for a \$50,000 construction grant a public funds drive, which added \$14,000 to the \$19,000 already available, was launched. The building will be constructed and equipped for \$83,000.

SELA INTERLIBRARY COOPERATION WORKSHOP HELD IN ATLANTA

Five South Carolina librarians attended a two-day SELA Workshop on Interlibrary Cooperation held May 15-16 at the Parliament House Motor Inn in Atlanta, Georgia. They were: Charles H. Busha, Reference Consultant, State Library Board; Dr. H. Joanne Harrar, Librarian, Winthrop College Library; Alfred Rawlinson, Director of Libraries, University of South Carolina, Genevieve Reidy, Librarian, Deering Milliken Research Corporation; and Frances B. Reid, Librarian, Spartanburg County Library, and S. C. member of the SELA Executive Board.

The workshop was planned and conducted by the SELA Library Development Committee in order to discuss state plans for interlibrary cooperation under Title III, the Library Services and Construction Act. A progress report was presented by each state library administrative agency on plans relative to Title III in each of the southern states.

Serving as consultant at the workshop were two staff members of the U.S. Office of Education, Evelyn Day Mullen, Library Extension Specialist, Library Services Branch, Bureau of Adult, Vocational and Library Programs, and Eugene Kennedy, Acting Chief, Library Research, Bureau of Research & Statistics, Division of Higher Education.

AIKEN PLANS FRIENDS OF LIBRARY GROUP

Jean Cochran, director of the Augusta-Richmond County Library, outlined the achievements of the Augusta "Friends" at a meeting to discuss such an organization in Aiken on May 17. Miss Cochran emphasized the fact that a Friends group supplements the work of the library board. Josephine Crouch, director of the ABBE Regional Library, described the work of Friends in other cities and Mrs. E. A. Moore, Aiken County Librarian, spoke briefly.

Mrs. Milton W. Davis, Jr. was elected temporary chairman and a steering committee of 20 will recruit members during the summer. The first formal meeting will be held in the fall.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK HERE AND THERE

Greenville's celebration of National Library Week got off to an early start with an autographing party held for Noel Gerson the week before. Mr. Gerson's latest book is The Swamp Fox.

Authors were honored or took part in the celebration in at least two other instances. Aiken County (ABBE Region) honored 20 local authors and the Fountain Inn (Greenville County Library branch) Friends of the Library heard an address by John Dickson Carr, now a Greenville resident.

Special story hours, bookmark and poster contests were conducted in a number of libraries.

Senior Citizens were featured during the observance. Tribute was paid to the founder of the Jennie Erwin Library, Honea Path, branch of the Anderson County Library. Miss Erwin, 99 and a patient in a nursing home, maintains her interest in the library. Mrs. J. P. Knox, 87, a regular patron of the Oconee County Library bookmobile, and Mrs. Mary Easterling, 82, who lives near the Marlboro County Library and walks to it twice a week, were interviewed by reporters for their respective papers.

Hobby exhibits with related book displays were prepared by NLW chairmen in the Jennie Erwin Library (Honea Path branch of Anderson County Library) and the Union County Library.

Library histories were focal points of many feature stories during National Library Week. Chester, Marlboro, Bamberg (ABBE Region) county libraries and the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library were among the libraries so honored.

Several libraries — Orangeburg, Kershaw, Newberry, Anderson — invited the public, and especially businessmen, to coffee hours.

In Lexington County, rural and urban patrons, businessmen, housewives, and teachers wrote letters expressing their appreciation of the services available from their county library. Patrons of the Sarlin Community Library, Liberty, branch of the Pickens County Library, also paid tribute to the library in this manner.

501 LIBRARY FELLOWSHIPS

The U.S. Office of Education has announced that under Title II-B of the Higher Education Act, 1965, awards totaling \$3,773,250 are being granted to 38 institutions for the selection and training of Fellows in library and information sciences.

Of the 501 fellowships 327 will be at the master's level, 58 at the post-masters and 116 doctoral. Fellowships for the master's degree are \$2,200 each and for the post-master's and doctor's degree \$5,000. Additional stipends are granted if summer study is required. There are also grants for dependents and for travel. Applicants apply directly to the participating institutions.

The State Library Board can supply further details and a list of the institutions granted fellowships.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Carrie Gene Ashley, ABBE Regional Library adult consultant, presided at the April meeting of the Barnwell County Historical Society. Mrs. Ben P. Davies, county and regional library board member, is chairman of the nominating committee of the society.

Clemson Friends of the Library held their annual open house at the Clemson branch of the Oconee and Pickens County libraries on April 23.

Mrs. Patricia Baker succeeded Mrs. Joyce Guerry who resigned as a member of the staff of the Berkeley County Library on May 1.

The new Calhoun Falls Branch Library of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library had its formal opening on Sunday, April 23. Gifts of draperies, bookshelves, curtain rods, flowers and shrubbery made the small building very attractive. Refreshments were provided by the Jaycees and served by the Jayceettes. Mrs. George Broadwell is branch librarian.

Children of the area have contributed \$200 which was earned at the annual pageant to the Simpsonville Library fund. A campaign to renovate the library, a branch of the Greenville County Library, is being conducted on the local level.

Spartanburg County Library has been designated as a federal depository library. It will be eligible to receive copies of all publications of the U. S. Government Printing Office!

Camping and traveling were the themes of recent adult programs at the Green-ville County Library. On April 27 a panel of experienced campers moderated by Sue McManus presented "Camping Tips." On May 11 there was a panel on hints for travelers and on May 18, a travelogue on Germany by Mrs. Julius Hertz, a native of Germany.

BOOKS AS MEMORIALS

The Aiken County Republican Women's Club presented four books as memorials to the Aiken County Library (ABBE Regional).

Mrs. George Gibbs McKerral has given a collection of books to the Marion Public Library in memory of her late husband.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mrs. Caroline Turner who was one of the five teachers chosen because they exemplified the best characteristics of a teacher by the York High School students.

Mrs. Turner is a member of the York County Library board.

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In 1968, for the twenty-fourth time, the John Cotton Dana Publicity Awards will be presented to libraries whose winning scrapbooks contain samples of their outstanding 1967 publicity program.

It's easy to enter your library in the contest, and in addition to THE award in each category, there are Honorable Mentions, and Special Commendations, so there's a good chance that you'll be a winner. This is your opportunity to show your local people that they have a good library, and to show librarians from coast to coast that you're one of the leaders whether your library is small, large, or medium-sized.

Whether you win or not, your presentation for the contest will help you evaluate your 1967 publicity program so that you can do just a little better in 1968.

If you are a winner, you'll enjoy national recognition for a job welldone, and you'll share your prize-winning techniques with your fellow librarians.

A descriptive brochure with entry blank is available from the State Library Board. Address requests to Nancy C. Blair, Field Service Librarian.

YOUR PROBLEMS by Anne Library

Dear Anne:

I am tired of all those whining and complaining people who write you about such petty, nitpicking problems. This is a pleasant letter, I hope. Recently I had two most rewarding and enjoyable experiences, and I feel the urge to testify.

The first was, "As Others See Us," the workshop of the Public Library Section, SCLA. It was one of the most practical and entertaining workshops the Section has ever had. The originality and wit of the skits of Sara Henry and Gloria Lindler provided the spice and the subsequent discussions so ably led by Carrie Gene Ashley, Margaret Mosimann, Catherine Lewis, and Norma Lightsey supplied the meaty part of the program.

I have talked with a number of librarians who attended, and they agree that this workshop, planned by Margie Herron, was the best they've ever attended.

Then, I was among the favored ones who were invited to the State Library Board's Personnel Utilization Workshop. While possibly not the most important result of the workshop, I think the housing of the majority of the group in one motel was a master stroke. The camaraderie, shared experiences, and "doing homework together" was a satisfying experience. The workshop sessions were such a skillful blend of presentation and participation that Jewel Hardkopf, the director, became one of the favorite people of the librarians attending. I heard one librarian say: "This is the best workshop I've attended — and required the most work." While all the "audience" participated,

the discussion leaders: Charles Busha, Catherine Lewis, and Carrie Gene Ashley, and the performers in the skit: Jimmy Milling, Gloria Lindler, Elizabeth Moran, Pat Mercer, and Steve Stevenson should have special mention.

There should be more opportunities like these!

A Satisfied Customer

Your letter was refreshing and welcome.

I hope those lucky people who will attend a later SLB workshop conducted by Miss Jewel Hardkopf will have some idea of what's in store.

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CAROLINIANA

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(South Carolina items are listed for your information. Inclusion does not necessarily mean a recommendation.)

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